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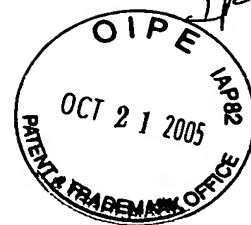Serial No.: 10/802,923   Group Art Unit: 3745

Filed: March 18, 2004   Examiner: I. Kershteyn

Inventor: Philip S. Spoor

Title: FREE PISTON DEVICE WITH
           TIME VARYING CLEARANCE SEAL

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

        Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.
The fee for this Amendment has been calculated as follows:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

(1) Claims Remaining After Amendment		(2) Highest Number Previously Paid For		(3) Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee	Fee Code
Total Claims * 7	Minus	** 20	=	0	X $ 50	= $ 0	103
Independent Claims 2	Minus	** 3	=	0	X $ 200	= $ 0	102
First presentation of multiple dependent claims ($360)						= $	104 ·
Total additional fee for this Amendment						$ 0	

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        write "20" in this space.

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    1. ☒   No additional fee is required.

    2. ☐   Charge $_____ to Deposit Account No. 16-2440 for this
            Amendment. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

    3. ☒   Please charge any additional fees which may be required by this
            Amendment, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-
            2440. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

                                        Respectfully submitted,

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Danbury, Connecticut 06810-5113
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In response to the Office Action dated July 27, 2005, kindly amend the application as follows: